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In re the Application of: Ray BLOTTEAUX

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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This response is submitted in reply to the Final Office Action mailed April 6, 2006, setting a shortened statutory response period of three months. This paper is being filed on July 6, 2006, and is considered to be timely filed because it was submitted within three months of the mailing of the Final Office Action. Should any fees be deemed necessary to be charged to this file, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 19-1351. Applicant respectfully submits the following Response and Remarks place the claims in condition for allowance and respectfully requests that the Examiner allow the application to issue.

Amended claims start at page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin at page 5 of this paper.

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